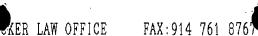
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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION AND AMENDMENT

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Restriction

Responsive to a requirement for restriction that was mailed from the PTO on September 9, 2003, applicant elects, without traverse, the method of invention II (claims 8-20) for continued examination on the merits.

Amendment

Applicant respectfully requests that all of the original claims 8-20 now be deleted without prejudice, and substituted by the following new claims 22-35.